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Dear Public Health Committee:

I am submitting the following letter in support of HB 5277- an act concerning the Establishment of Technical Standards for Medical Diagnostic Equipment that Promotes Accessibility in Healthcare Facilities. As an geriatric physician at Yale the majority of my out patient practice consist of providing care for persons with intellectual, and physical disabilities. Establishing appropriate technical standards for medical diagnositic equipment for healthcare facilities and physician offices will ensure greater access to care for these vulnerable populations.

Unless appropriate medical diagnostic equipment is utilitzed, these populations of patients may experience significant limitations on access to appropriate care.

Sincerely,

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